GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

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REQUIREMENT OF CONCRETE SLEEPERS
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of annual requirement of concrete sleepers;

(b) whether it is a fact that there is wide gap existed between placement of orders and actual supply of the sleepers; and

(c) if so, the reasons therefor and the action taken by the Government to eliminate delay?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH)

(a): Annual requirement of concrete sleepers is finalised on the basis of sanctioned works and budget allotment. Assessed annual requirement of concrete sleepers is approx. 60 lakh nos.

(b) The production from the existing firms gets commenced within one month from placement of orders. New firms getting orders are given a time period of 12 months to set up facilities and start production.

(c) Does not arise.